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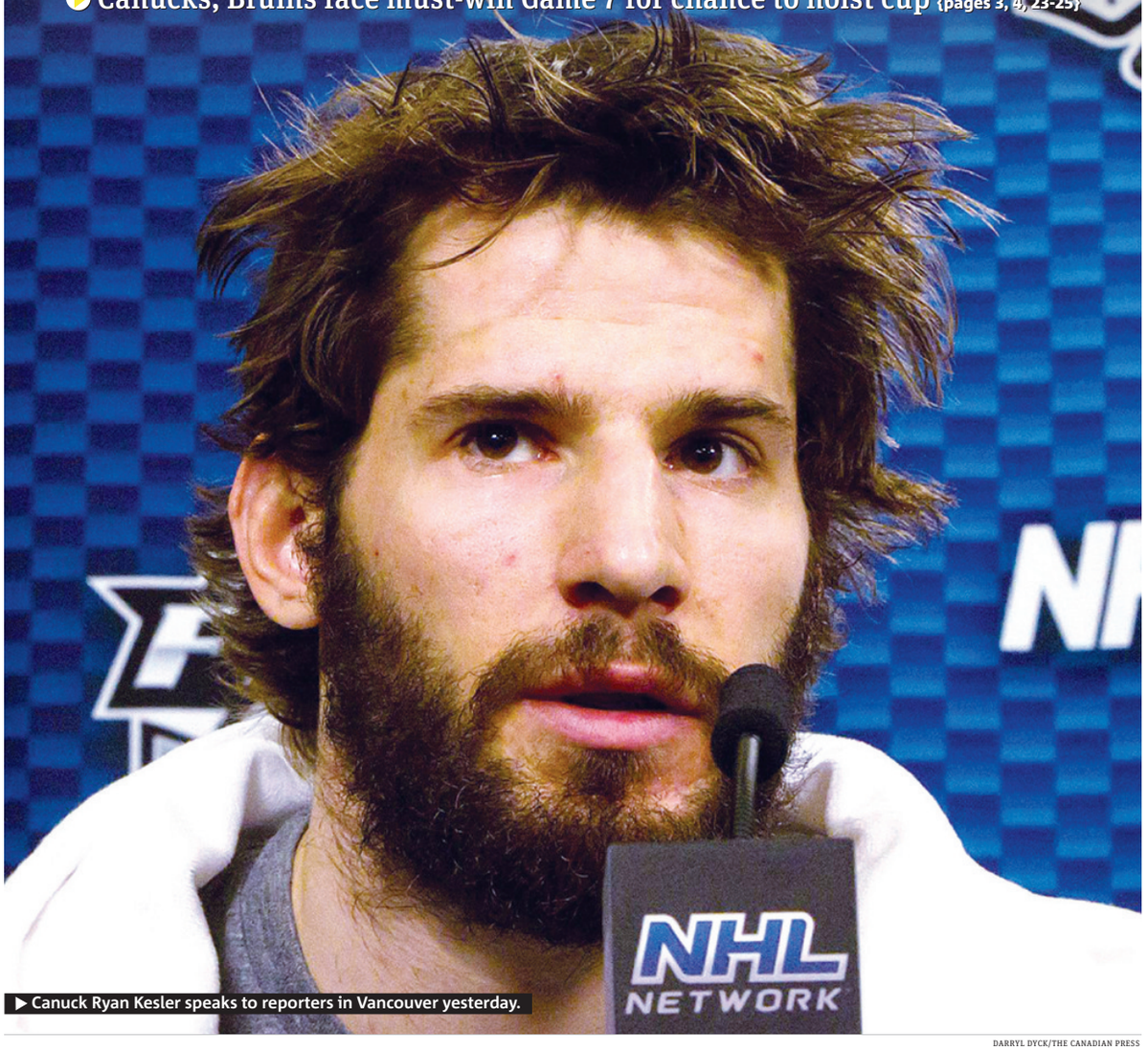

▶ Canuck Ryan Kesler speaks to reporters in Vancouver yesterday.

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News in brief

Clark gets free Game 7 tickets

STANLEY CUP. Premier Christy Clark has scored two free tickets to tonight's Stanley Cup final.

Officials in the premier's office say she was given the tickets by Canucks Sports and Entertainment, the company that runs the Canucks. Clark has been an unabashed supporter of the Canucks during their playoff drive and plans to attend the game with her son Hamish.

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Hockey saves power, B.C. Hydro says

GAME. BC Hydro is aiming to reduce energy use across B.C. by six per cent during the deciding game in the Stanley Cup final tonight. According to the utility, overall electricity in the province drops while the games are being televised. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS

Man robbed trying to buy cup tickets

WEAPON. A man in Coquitlam was robbed with a weapon yesterday when he tried to buy two tickets to the Stanley Cup final from a man selling them on Craigslist. METRO

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▶ Canucks fans watch Game 6 of the Stanley Cup final on a giant screen at the corner of Georgia and Hamilton streets on Monday.

D-Day: The Canucks have a date with fate

- Vancouver team will try to end 40 years of hockey frustration tonight
- Fans are both anxious, optimistic about final showdown

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Whether Canucks fans will erupt in joyous celebration or cry bitter tears into their beers — it all comes down to tonight.

The Vancouver Canucks are sitting on the verge of history as they face the Boston Bruins in a final showdown to win the franchise's first ever Stanley Cup.

But fans desperate to get their hands on the most sought-after tickets will have to reach deep into their pockets to witness what could be the most important game in Canucks' history.

According to online ticket marketplace StubHub, tickets for Game 7 are starting at around $1,500 and the average ticket is selling for $3,082.

Some fans say they are nervous about goalie Roberto Luongo's consistency, but they're optimistic he will get the job done. They are hoping history won't repeat itself like in 1994 when the team lost against the New York Rangers.

"(Luongo) drives me crazy because he'll have these games (in Boston) and then he'll be brilliant and shutout a team," said longtime fan Justine Galo. "(But) he should be starting. It's Game 7, you go with the guy you went in with in the beginning."

Galo said it would be "astronomical" for the Canucks to finally win the Stanley Cup and it would unite the whole Lower Mainland.

Playing in Boston's TD Garden proved to be the Canucks' kryptonite, but Nathan Soucie said he believes this is Vancouver's year.

"Of course (the) Canucks are going to win," Soucie said. "It's been 18 years in the making and this is magical, you can feel it. When they are at home they win and they do it well."

WITH FILES FROM SAHARA GIANNONE

Liquor stores

1 A total of 19 private and public liquor stores in Vancouver's downtown will close at 4 p.m. tomorrow because of public safety concerns by the Liquor Control and Licensing Branch.

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Modelled victory

NHL 2011 simulator predicted in Oct. that Vancouver would beat Boston by 3-1 score in Game 7

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The Canucks are not the only ones that will be facing their ultimate test as they play for Lord Stanley's cup tonight; it's also the final trial of the NHL 2011 simulator, developed by EA in Burnaby, which predicted a Game 7 victory for Vancouver over Boston back in October.

"It plays the game out in an event-by-event basis. It has shots and faceoffs and checks and all the things that happen in real life," explained NHL 2011 producer David Littman.

"It uses all the player attributes and team tendencies to give the outcome of the game."

So far, the simulation has been remarkably accurate: only San Jose has defied EA's predictions by knocking Detroit out of the playoffs in round two. The engine even predicted that every victory in the final round would go to the home team.

"I think Canucks fans have to look at the simulation and say there's something to it," said Littman.

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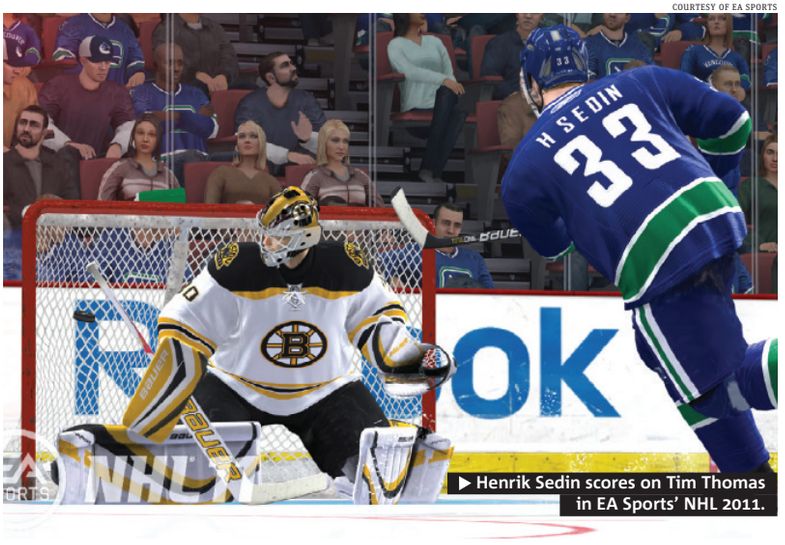

▶ Henrik Sedin scores on Tim Thomas in EA Sports' NHL 2011.

Cup still half full for Vancouver fans

As the Canucks skate into Game 7 of the Stanley Cup final tonight on home ice, Vancouver fans seem confident that this time the cup is here to stay.

Metro took to the streets yesterday to ask Vancouverites for their take on tonight's game and if they still believe the Canucks have what it takes to win hockey's ultimate prize.

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Michael Nonni, 21, West Vancouver

"I think the Canucks will win because they always play well in front of a home crowd and they have been under this kind of pressure before."

Rachelle Vallee, 21, Victoria

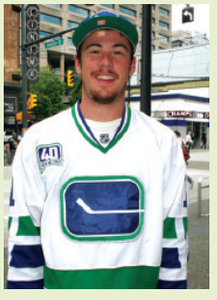
"I think the Canucks are going to win because it's Game 7. They are playing in their hometown and everyone is cheering for them here, so they have a good chance."

Matthew Ineuye, 16, Vancouver

"I think the Canucks will win because they have home-ice advantage and they have always won at home so far. The city has been waiting for this for 40 years, and I think it's long overdue."

Casey Cliff, 26, Vancouver

"Yes, the Canucks are going to win because the game is at home. With the atmosphere that the fans surround them with, I think that they will be more pumped to play and win the game."



Ben Porter, 21, North Vancouver

"Yes, the Canucks are going to win because it is meant to be. It has been 18 years since Canucks have actually been in the finals. We are going to play amazing because it's Game 7. It's crunch time."

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Anti-HST signs vanish in Vancouver South

Opponents of the tax filed police complaint after theft and vandalism

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About 100 blue Fight HST signs went missing in the riding of Vancouver South over the weekend and opponents of the tax have asked the police to investigate.

Anti-HST campaigner Bill Tieleman said the signs, which read "Vote Yes Extinguish the HST" vanished Sunday. The signs were put up along Fraser Street and around 57th Avenue and Knight Street.

"In any election or referendum, there's some sign vandalism ... (but) to have 100 signs disappear off very strategic lawns and properties all along major roads, that's not an accident," he said.

"Someone organized to steal those signs. There's no question about it and that's just wrong."

Tieleman said the signs cost $3 each and added that it will be hard to replace them given their budget of $250,000. They plan to bring in signs from other ridings that haven't been put up yet or move others to replace the stolen signs.

"Every day that there's no signs up is a day where we have our message not getting across to people ... so it's really frustrating."

Steven Colon, a Fight HST volunteer and supporter, said it's unfair that someone would take away all the signs after all the work they've invested.

"It would've been better to see a young adult do something out of stupidity but when you see 100 signs (missing), it's more of an organized effort, I believe," Colon said. "It doesn't seem like something a kid would want to invest time to do."

Colon said he would still volunteer his time to get the signs back up and would even take pictures of where they were put up for proof in case they go missing again.

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▶ Anti-HST supporter Steven Colon stands with a sign yesterday. He says he's willing to put in more time to put up Fight HST signs in Vancouver South to replace 100 stolen ones

HST referendum question confusing, Clark says

Premier Christy Clark said she agrees with voters who say the HST referendum question is confusing.

British Columbians will need to vote yes to dump the HST, while those who support it will vote no.

Clark said former premier Bill Vander Zalm and one-time NDP strategist Bill Tieleman, who launched an anti-HST campaign and forced the referendum, set the question that Elections BC approved.

Referendum ballots will be arriving in homes around the province over the next two weeks and must be returned to Elections BC by July 22.

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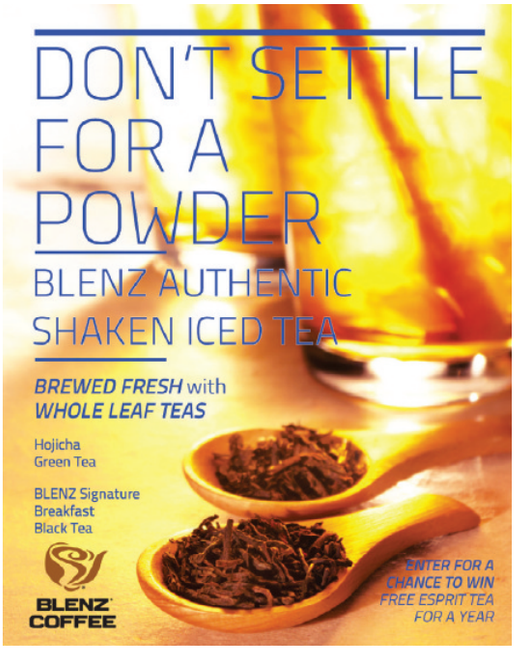

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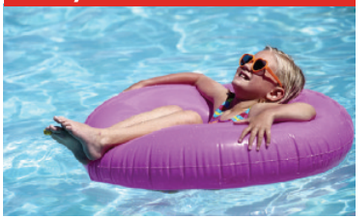

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Mail system shuts down

Canada Post suspends operations across the country Blames union Hopes to meet with labour reps soon to continue negotiations

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Members of the Canadian Union of Postal Workers demonstrated outside the main Vancouver post office on West Georgia yesterday morning, condemning their employers for what they referred to as a "lockout" — a charge Canada Post denied.

"There are some employees that are being told they can work on Tuesdays and Thursdays, but the rest of them are being told they can only work Monday, Wednesday and Friday, so they're kind of pitting us off against each other," explained Ken Mooney, CUPW regional grievance officer for the Pacific region.

Then late last night, Canada Post suspended operations across the country after 12 days of rotating strikes by its unionized urban workers.

The Crown Corporation blames its decision on declines in mail volumes and revenue as a result of the work stoppages.

In a statement released late last night, the corporation estimates it has lost $100 million after the latest rotating strikes in Montreal and Toronto.

It also says the post office and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers remain "far apart" on several key issues, with no progress made at the negotiating table for weeks.

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Homeless gather to watch Canucks in back alley

It's a life most can't imagine, picking up bottles for a living and sleeping in a back alley.

But when the Stanley Cup playoffs are on, Vinnie Danes is just like most Canadians who want to kick back and watch the game.

Not far from the pricey rink-side seats in Rogers Arena and the booming outdoor sites where jersey-clad masses cheer the Vancouver Canucks, Danes has set up his own viewing area where he and his friends can watch the game.

Tucked inside a back-alley carport, Danes' tiny TV sits atop of an industrial garbage bin surrounded by half a dozen chairs rescued from the garbage dump.

The picture is grainy, despite a 15-metre antenna that snakes around two old shopping carts filled with bottles and reaches up to the roof.

But the sound is good and the back alley seems no different than many homes when the hockey game is on: Men yelling at the TV, criticizing the players or the referees and cracking open a beer.

"When the home games are here, we get like 20 people, when the away games are here we get like half a dozen," Danes said.

He and many of his friends work picking up bottles around the city and the word spreads to others who don't have a home where they can watch the game.

Tomorrow, Danes and his friends will join most other Canadians, sitting in front of their television sets rooting for their team. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

News in brief

Teen boy sexually assaulted

BURNABY. RCMP say a young male teenager was touched in a sexual manner by a 45- to 55-year-old man at the Eileen Daily Pool in North Burnaby on Sunday. The man, who had talked to the boy in the past, is dark-skinned, speaks with an accent and has grey hair, a bald spot and a thin grey moustache. RCMP are asking anyone with information to contact them. **DAVID PROCTOR**

Four charged in human smuggling

SRI LANKANS. Human smuggling charges have now been laid against four men following the arrival of a migrant ship in B.C. waters in 2009.

The men were arrested in Toronto on allegations they organized the smuggling operation that saw the Ocean Lady bring 76 Sri Lankan refugee claimants to B.C. Most of the migrants paid thousands of dollars for the illegal voyage to Canada.

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Seal hunt slumps

10% The 2011 slaughter was less than 10 per cent of the allowable catch.

As the annual East Coast seal hunt draws to a close, federal officials said that this season was one of the worst since the early 1990s, when the industry struggled to recover from a European ban on the importation of white pelts from young harp seals.

The total number of harp seals killed in the 2011 commercial slaughter was about 38,000 out of the allowable catch of 400,000.

The industry's latest slump is the result of a shrinking world market and poor ice conditions in the Gulf of St. Lawrence and off the north coast of Newfoundland.

Last year, the European Union's 27 member states banned the importation of most seal products, a move that has depressed pelt prices to between $20 and $30 — barely enough for seal hunters to cover the cost of fuel and insurance for their small boats.

The use of large offshore boats was banned in 1987, the same year the federal government banned the killing of whitecoats.

The United States banned importing seal products in 1972.

Last week, the Canadian government said it will move ahead with its bid to challenge the latest European ban through the World Trade Organization, even though Ottawa is also trying to secure a free trade deal with the EU.

Meanwhile, animal welfare groups are pressing ahead with media campaigns aimed at stopping the commercial hunt. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada extends Libya mission

National Transitional Council true representatives of the people: Baird

Parliament has formally extended Canada's military mission in Libya to the end of September as Ottawa endorsed the country's rebels as the legitimate government of the country.

By an overwhelming 294-1 margin, MPs approved the extension yesterday evening after an exhaustive day-long debate on Canada's involvement in the NATO-led, United Nations-sanctioned mission to protect civilians from dictator Moammar Gadhafi.

After the vote, Baird told reporters that he planned to meet soon with a Canadian-based member of the National Transitional Council of Libya. He moved to dispel any apprehension about the council, saying it represents "the best hope" for the future of the Libyan people.

"Whatever happens, they couldn't be any worse than Col. Gadhafi," Baird said.

Canada joins France, Spain, Italy, Germany, Qatar and the United Arab Emirates in formally recognizing the council.

Yesterday's vote extends the mission after NATO approved a 90-day extension this month.

Green Party Leader Elizabeth May was the lone dissenter, saying she had concerns about "mission creep."

Paul Dewar, the NDP foreign affairs critic, urged more humanitarian assistance and called for greater efforts to investigate and prosecute alleged war crimes in Libya.

Baird reaffirmed last month's G8 commitment that "at the political level ... Mr. Gadhafi must go." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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▶ Minister of Foreign Affairs John Baird delivers a speech on the mission in Libya in the House of Commons yesterday.

Ottawa Libyans react

Libyans in Ottawa were happy that Canada will recognize the National Transitional Council.

"It's good news for me, it's good news for every Libyan," said Malik Taghdi, an Ottawa resident whose parents live in Tripoli. JOE LOFARO

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Gay marriage upheld in Calif.

- Scholars didn't expect decision to be overturned
- Judge cites gender- and race-based precedents

A U.S. judge yesterday upheld a gay judge's ruling to strike down California's same-sex marriage ban, noting that his fellow jurist could not be presumed to have a personal stake in the case just because he was in a long-term relationship with another man.

Chief U.S. District Judge James Ware said former Chief Judge Vaughn Walker had no obligation to divulge whether he wanted to marry his own gay partner before he declared last year that a voter-approved ban on same-sex marriage was unconstitutional.

Ware called it the first case in which a judge's same-sex relationship had led to calls for disqualification.

The ruling does not settle the legal fight over the same-sex marriage ban known as Proposition 8. The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals is considering whether Walker properly concluded that denying gays and lesbians the right to marry violates their rights to due process and equal protection.

Ware cited previous cases dealing with women and minority judges in concluding that his predecessor had acted appropriately.

"The sole fact that a federal judge shares the same circumstances or personal characteristics with other members of the general public, and that the judge could be affected by the outcome of a proceeding in the same way that other members of the general public would be affected, is not a basis for either recusal or disqualification," he wrote.

Lawyers for those who back the ban argued that Walker should have recused himself or disclosed his relationship.

Walker publicly revealed after he retired in February that he is in a 10-year relationship with a man.

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Yemeni protesters demand trials

Hundreds of thousands of Yemenis demonstrated in nearly every major city yesterday, demanding trial for the family and close aides of the president. These were the largest protests since President Ali Abdullah Saleh went abroad to be treated for injuries suffered in an attack. Yemen remains locked in a power struggle between the president's allies and tribesmen, who demand an end to the regime's nearly 33-year rule.

Step. Down

▶ A female protester holds a poster of Argentine-born Cuban revolutionary Ernesto (Che) Guevara in Sanaa, Yemen, yesterday.

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Soot and smog raise temperatures

The struggle to contain climate change usually focuses on reducing carbon dioxide. But black carbon and ozone, the main ingredients of soot and smog, also add to global warming, and controlling them will act quickly to slow-rising temperatures, a UN agency said yesterday,

Black carbon comes from solid particles from tailpipes, forest fires or wood-burning stoves and brick kilns commonly found in poor countries. It absorbs sunlight, and is most damaging when it settles on the Arctic snow or mountain glaciers, causing ice packs to melt rapidly.

Scientists warn that a global average temperature increase of more than two degrees raises the risk of disastrous climate changes affecting agriculture, sea levels and species survival.

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Feds poised to quash strike

- Air Canada staff could be ordered back to work within 48 hours
- Union claims 25 per cent of flights cancelled on first day of job action

Ottawa is paving the way for back-to-work legislation for some 3,800 striking Air Canada employees, saying the economy is too weak to withstand a long strike.

"Air Canada has a huge section of the market in Canada in terms of travel," Finance Minister Jim Flaherty said yesterday. "It affects tourists, of course, but it affects business, it affects the delivery of cargo in Canada and from Canada abroad. So this is a matter of significant economic consequence."

The workers went on strike just after midnight yesterday. Pension and wages have been the major stumbling blocks in talks.

Managers stepped in to replace the striking workers and, aside from slightly longer lineups and minor delays, it was business as usual at major airports.

But the striking workers said things weren't running so smoothly behind the scenes and warned that wait times will only get longer.

"It looks good right now," said Dawn Moreau, one of hundreds of workers who picketed outside Toronto's Pearson airport. "Is it going to stay this way? No. We're on Tuesday morning, it's probably the slowest morning of the week," said Moreau, an Air Canada customer service agent for 34 years. "You get into your afternoon shifts, you get into your evening shifts, you get into snowball effects down the line."

Air Canada said about one per cent of its flights were pre-emptively cancelled to ease congestion.

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Market moment

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APOLOGY ON BEHALF OF ALL MEN

JUST SAYIN' ...

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Is it just me or do other guys feel compelled to apologize for Anthony Weiner the wiener?

If I were a woman, I would think Weiner the wiener is the greatest single argument for asexual reproduction ever. I would rather give birth to spores than have that jerk's baby.

But it's too late. His wife of one year, Huma Abedin, who is Hillary Clinton's closest aide, has been lugging the spawn of Weiner around the world, advising the U.S. secretary of state on matters of global concern while her wiener husband has been sending pictures of his biceps and his John Thomas to porn stars he met on the Internet.

Now the U.S. congressman has "taken a leave of absence" from the House of Representatives as he goes into treatment. Meanwhile, his wife and soon-to-be-born child are still out there trying to get Libya under control and fielding the fallout from the stupid husband tricks back home.

"If I were a woman, I would think Weiner the wiener is the greatest single argument for asexual reproduction ever."

Everyone says he should resign. Even Barack Obama says "If I were him, I'd resign." Weiner the wiener? Think about it. This is the guy who not so long ago was touted as the next mayor of New York City, the Great Democratic Hope. Now, he only qualifies as the Great Democratic Dope, following in the footsteps of the legendary Eliot Spitzer, the former Great Democratic Dope, who now has his own talk show.

Even Spitzer says Weiner the wiener should resign, citing "a flaw in his judgment, in his belief, even up to that point that he could somehow continue to deceive." Spitzer, also married, secretly cavorted with prostitutes at taxpayer expense while attorney general of the state of New York. Well, at least he is an expert on flaws in judgment.

Obviously, Weiner is going through the motions of contrition to try to save his sorry buns of steel while waiting for the talk show offers to come through.

If you're a man (any kind of a man), when you compare Weiner the wiener with Arizona congresswoman Gabrielle Giffords, who is courageously trying to regain the power of speech after having been shot in the head while doing her job, it's enough to make you turn in the keys to the F-150 and go back to human school.

So if he won't do the right thing, I will. I apologize to his wife because she seems like a nice person who doesn't deserve to be married to the biggest (smallest?) wiener on the planet, and I apologize to women everywhere who have to be totally fed up with men who haven't got a lick of sense, yet occupy positions of authority while they (the women, that is) continue to get the short end of the ... stick.

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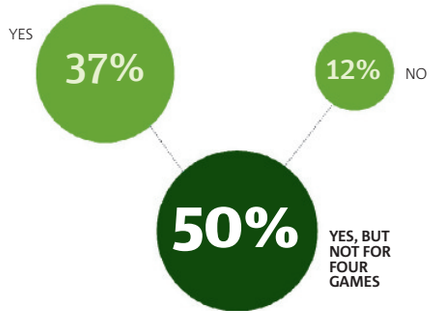
Was the NHL right to suspend Vancouver's Aaron Rome?

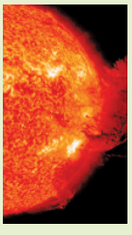


Local tweets

- **@canucks game:** Dear Hockey Gods ... let's keep home ice an advantage. #bringithome
- **@FarhanLaljiTSN:** More Wilbon on PTI: "the Sedins are the best players I've seen who get no respect" #Canucks
- **@cryyystaljoy:** it's official, the office will be closing early tomorrow so everyone can make it to watch #game7 — i love it :)
- **@jojanebee:** A day of recovery so I'll be ready for tomorrow #game7 #bringithome
- **@DaveUpshaw:** Already getting sick thinking about #game7 tomorrow ...
- **@Jay_Cee01:** If I won tickets to #Game7 I'd walk into my work and Quit, Just so i could Go
- **@flokclothing:** This roller coaster ride is affecting my sleep ... hang on for #onemorewin.
- **@kbfivepointzero:** So sitting here waiting for #onemorewin makes me think about how this cup run has helped people connect and reconnect. Love. #GOCANUCKSGO
- **@Rinb88:** Dear Hockey Gods let the Canucks #bringithome

Worth mentioning

WASHINGTON. Scientists are predicting the sun is heading into an unusual and extended super quiet mode. Around 2020, sunspots may disappear for years, maybe decades.



Scientists say there is nothing to worry about. Effects from a calmer sun are mostly good. There would be fewer disruptions of satellites and power systems. And it might mean a little less increase in global warming.

It has happened before, but not for a couple of centuries.

Scientists at a solar physics conference in New Mexico revealed their prediction based on sunspot activity, magnetic field strength and a disappearing solar jet stream.

The prediction is specifically aimed at the solar cycle starting in 2020, but experts say the sun already has been unusually quiet for about four years.

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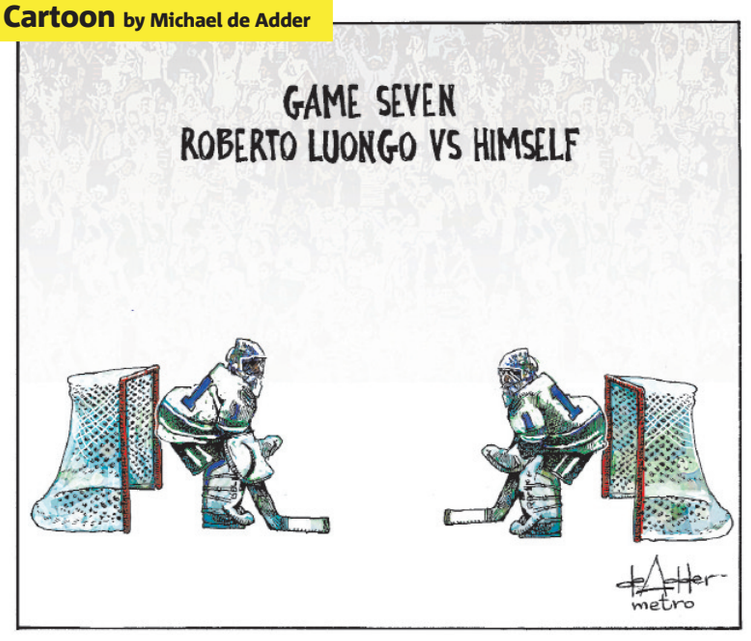

WEIRD NEWS

Coming soon: Follow God on Twitter

Too busy to get to church to pray?

A Romanian company is offering believers an online service enabling them to send prayers to priests who will read them out during church services.

Romanian Orthodox Christians customarily write down prayers in church, which are then given to priests who read them out for a small fee. The prayers are traditionally for health, good exam results, happy marriages, and the forgiveness of sins.

Orthodox believers can now pay $1.44 US per day or $34 US online per month for their prayer to be read. Currently, just four churches are enlisted on the site.

Gandul.info reported yesterday that the Romanian Orthodox church, to which more than 85 per cent of Romanians belong, did not approve the move, warning it could lead to laziness. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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▶ Ryan Reynolds suits up as Green Lantern in the latest DC Comics blockbuster.

Super duper fly role

Despite his abdominal and pectoral supremacy, Canadian-born Ryan Reynolds says he'd like to think he can encompass 'some sort of an average Joe'

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If people could be bound by anti-trust laws, Ryan Reynolds might find himself on the business end of some serious litigation. Between Hannibal King in Blade: Trinity, Deadpool in X-Men Origins: Wolverine and Hal Jordan in this summer's Green Lantern, the sitcom star-turned-hard bodied leading man has created a superhero monopoly.

Sitting down to chat with the actor in Beverly Hills, one has to ask, what makes Reynolds so superhero-y?

"Well, first of all, Hannibal King is not a superhero," Reynolds deadpans with his signature sardonic wit.

"He's a human being who bleeds and dies if you stab him. Deadpool is kind of an anti-hero, not a superhero. In fact, he'd probably kill you if you called him a superhero. Green Lantern — now that's a superhero," he grins.

Evasive answers aside, the 34-year-old Canadian has undeniably become one of Hollywood's go-to action idols, a distinction Reynolds shrugs off with charming humility. "I'd like to think that I can encompass some sort of an average Joe," he offers.

"That's what [Green Lantern] is. This ring selected this guy for reasons totally baffling to him and everyone around him, for an unbelievable, extraordinary task. But it could be anyone."

His co-stars might beg to differ. "He's a great superhero, but, specifically, he's a great Green Lantern," explains Blake Lively, who plays Carol Ferris, Hal's contentious love interest.

"Green Lantern is a person who is a strong, capable man, but he's also very human and he gets by on his charms. Having someone like Ryan play this character, who has such a heart, humanity and incredible likability, who's disarmingly charming and witty — you really need that."

Peter Sarsgaard, who plays the evil, bulbous-headed Dr. Hector Hammond, adds, "I think it's a kind of honesty. There are a lot of good actors who always seem like they've got a card face down somewhere that they're not telling you about. With Ryan it seems like he has all his cards out all the time. And he manages to still be interesting when doing that."

Nerdy charm

Although Ryan Reynolds is built like a brick house and has a matinee idol's chiseled good looks, there's an inner geek lurking just below that well-hewn surface.

▶ At the mention of possible unspoken nerdiness, he laughs. "Yeah, I was a drama geek and all that crap when I was a kid," he admits. "And I looked like a young Asian girl until I was 19."

Scene in brief

A judge has thrown out a $75 million lawsuit filed against the Kardashian sisters after they yanked their endorsement of a prepaid debit card that was criticized for its high fees, saying the reality show stars had no duty to promote a product that might be considered unlawful.
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McCartney's first solo disc, received badly at first, gets a second chance.

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Fergie isn't pregnant, just really likes tacos

Black Eyed Peas star denies baby rumours Admits to bad eating habits

Black Eyed Peas singer Fergie says she understands where all the rumors about her baby-making plans are coming from.

"I gain and lose weight everywhere from the thighs up. I think people think that I'm pregnant sometimes because my weight fluctuates," she tells Allure magazine.

"My problem is my discipline. I see a Jack in the Box or a DelTaco, and I will impulsively want it. I'm a work in progress in that area."

Fergie said earlier this year that she's putting her solo career on hold so she can spend time with her hubby. METRO

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▶ Fergie

Talking points

Lindsay Lohan throws house arrest party

LEARNING HER LESSONS

Just because she's being kept under house arrest doesn't mean Lindsay Lohan isn't having any fun.

The troubled actress was spotted throwing a rooftop party at her Venice Beach condominium recently, according to Splash News. While her guests indulged in beer and wine, Lohan wasn't seen drinking, though the soiree was apparently intense enough to necessitate a costume change. METRO

Celebrity tweets

@torianddean

"Paparazzi chased me w/the kids 2school. I was trying to get away from him and had a pretty big accident. Took down whole wall of school. He thn STILL got out to try to get pics. 10 school moms chased him away. Wht will it take? Someone dying for paparazzi to stop? Going to dr now to check on baby. I think its just shock."

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"I'd like parents to start naming boys Barney again."

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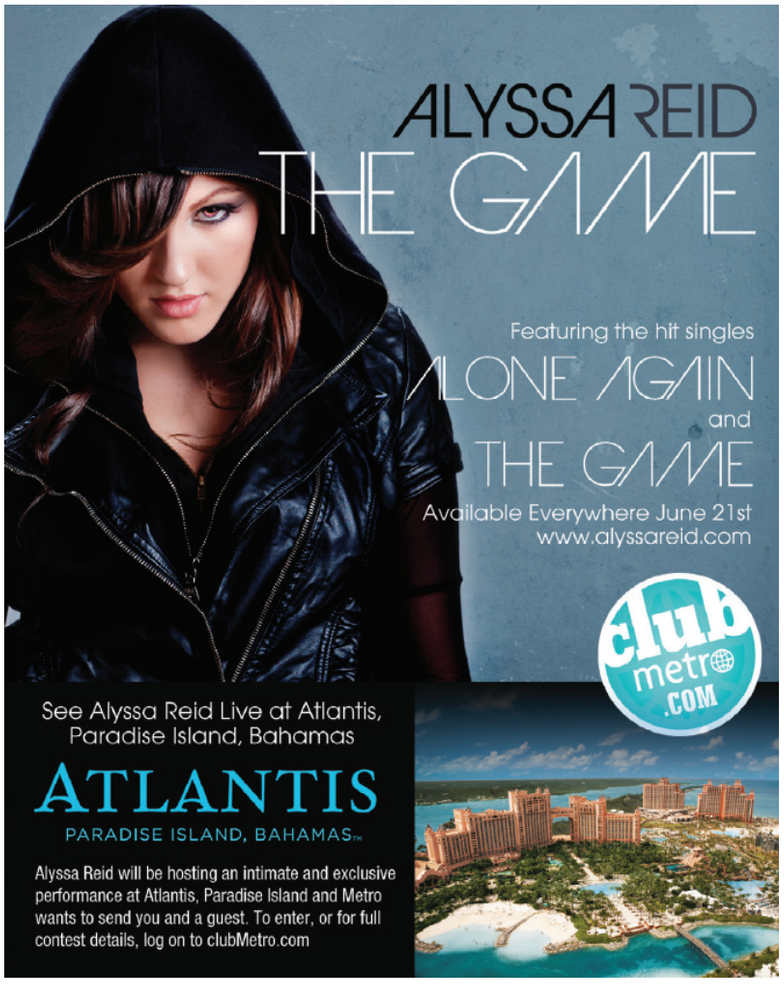
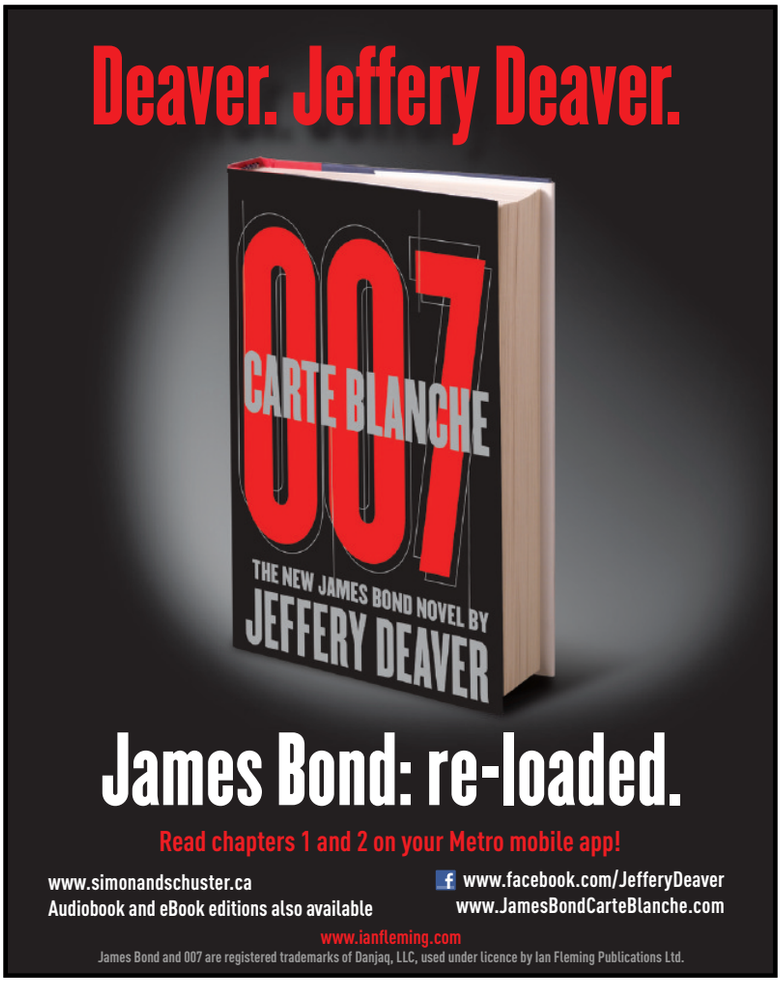
"Old people love it when you guess how many years they have left."





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Travel in brief

Need a suggestion for National Canoe Day, from June 25 to 26?

How about strapping your canoe to your roof and driving around with it for the day?

That is among the ideas offered by the Canadian Canoe Museum to mark the occasion.

Other suggestions include staging a canoe-a-thon, a race or "main-street portage."

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Canadians volunteering at Haitian orphanage receive as much as they give

DARREN PARKMAN

▶ Museum of Fine Arts in Mexico City.

Where to go

- **Main Temple of the Aztecs:** Located downtown, excavation of the great temple began back in the 70s, and isn't finished yet. You can see the ruins from the sidewalk, but for a small fee, you can walk amongst the ruins and check out the on-site museum.
- **Latin American Tower:** This downtown skyscraper has a great open-air terrace on the 44th floor, with observation decks just below. You can also visit the museum on the 37th floor.

¿Yo quiero Segway tour?

Despite the hustle and bustle of one of the world's most populated cities, The Travellin' Canadian took in Mexico City from a Segway The electric vehicle is the perfect way to get a 360 degree view

THE TRAVELLIN' CANADIAN

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Because it's one of the largest cities in the world, Mexico City is chock-full of fascinating history, monuments and architecture. It would take days, or even weeks, to take in the highlights. That is, if you don't have a Segway!

These high tech puppies can really move, and are really the perfect way to take in the sites in a huge place like this. On a sunny Sunday, after paying a small rental fee, I found myself zipping down famous Reforma Avenue while proudly standing on board my cool new self-balancing electric vehicle.

It's amazing how these machines can zip down sidewalks, streets and alleys without the restrictions of a car or motorcycle. Before long, I had passed the historic and beautiful Palace of Fine Arts, before circling the winged goddess on top of the super tall Monument of Independence.

Another great thing about touring the city on a Segway is all the admiring looks, and even cheers you tend to get from onlookers.

For a brief moment, I felt like a star.

That feeling abruptly ended when I hit a curb at a crowded intersection and awkwardly stumbled off my machine, prompting a few hurtful snickers.

After climbing back on, I pressed on to the Museum of Anthropology, which in itself can be an all-day affair. Here is where many Aztec pre-Columbian artifacts can be seen, including the most impressive original Stone of the Sun, better known as the Aztec calendar. I ended my Segway tour in the huge historical center of the city known as the Zocalo or main square.

This is one of the largest open squares in the world, surrounded by beautiful architecture. Summer is actually the perfect time for a Segway tour of this great city. The hottest, most humid time in Mexico City is early spring. July and August are cooler and more comfortable, perfect for taking in the sites.

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Best of the U.S. in D.C.

Jackie Flanagan lives in D.C.'s hip Mount Pleasant area and runs Nana, a women's clothing shop inspired by all things vintage, modern, handmade and ethically made The store is named after her stylish grandmother

JACKIE FLANAGAN METRO WORLD NEWS

I enjoy living in D.C. because it is a big city with a small-town feel. It's large enough that there is always a new discovery around the next bend but it's small enough to feel manageable and sometimes even cosy.

We are surrounded by museums, cultural centres, embassies and sites dedicated to our nation's history with such a beautiful mix of people that I am never bored. It's quite accessible — so many events and museums require no entrance fee.

There seems to be an exciting feeling in D.C. right now — as if people outside of this city are finally realizing that it's a diverse, modern, metropolitan city. There seems to be a new spotlight on it.

WASHINGTON DC

▶ Picnic outside the Capitol.

First time?

I will never forget the first time I came to D.C. as an 11-year-old. My Dad drove us around the Lincoln Memorial, the Jefferson, the White House and the Capitol at night. They looked as though they were crafted with beautiful paper.

I was in awe at the beauty of the city at night. It is still my favourite time to see these lovely buildings. Take a nice evening walk by the Lincoln and Jefferson or have a picnic in the middle of the Mall and enjoy the views.

One of my favourite city events takes place in summer, Screen on the Green. Old movies are shown on a huge screen outside the Capitol, and everyone brings a picnic.

Of all of the Smithsonian museums, I'd hit the Museum of American History first. It is a nice glimpse of American highlights. It might be because of my shop, but I find the First Ladies' dresses a stunning collection; americanhistory.si.edu.

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▶ Jefferson Memorial

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▶ Stay for dessert.

Shopping!

I find Good Wood (goodwooddc.com) and Millennium (millenniumdecorativearts.com) on U Street inspirational. The Dupont Farmers' Market (freshfarmmarket.org) and Mount Pleasant Farmer's Market (mtpfm.org) are perfect spots for fresh flowers and organic produce. I don't travel too far, though: it's always Nana (nanadc.com) in Mount Pleasant.

Stay in

Hotel George is a true fashion and hospitality icon — a favourite for its location and luxury service at the heart of Capitol Hill (hotelgeorge.com).

Eat

A fun people-watching spot with good Mexican food is Lauriol Plaza. Kick off with chips, salsa and a margarita (lauriolplaza.com). For a small, out-of-the way spot, I love Room 11. The atmosphere is cosy and great desserts are worth the wait for a seat (room11dc.com).

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▶ Nana D.C.

Go out

You can't go wrong with a show at the Rock-n-Roll hotel in D.C.'s edgy H Street, NE neighbourhood (rockandrollhoteldc.com). The old-school vibe of the Looking Glass is worth a cab ride (thelookingglasslounge.com). The Gibson is fun, just North of U Street on 14th, and set up like a speak-easy during the Prohibition years, with an unmarked door.

▶ Rock-n-Roll Hotel.

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The ribbon was cut last week on the long-awaited second section of New York City's High Line, revealing a lush green lawn, prime lounging spots and a less-industrial feel than the original stretch of the famous park built on abandoned railroad tracks nine metres above ground.

The new section ends at 30th Street, adding 10 blocks and doubling the length to 1.6 kilometres. The first segment opened in June 2009 and runs from Gansevoort Street to 20th Street.

The park meandering through some of Manhattan's hippest 'hoods is already a superstar attraction with two million visitors a year.

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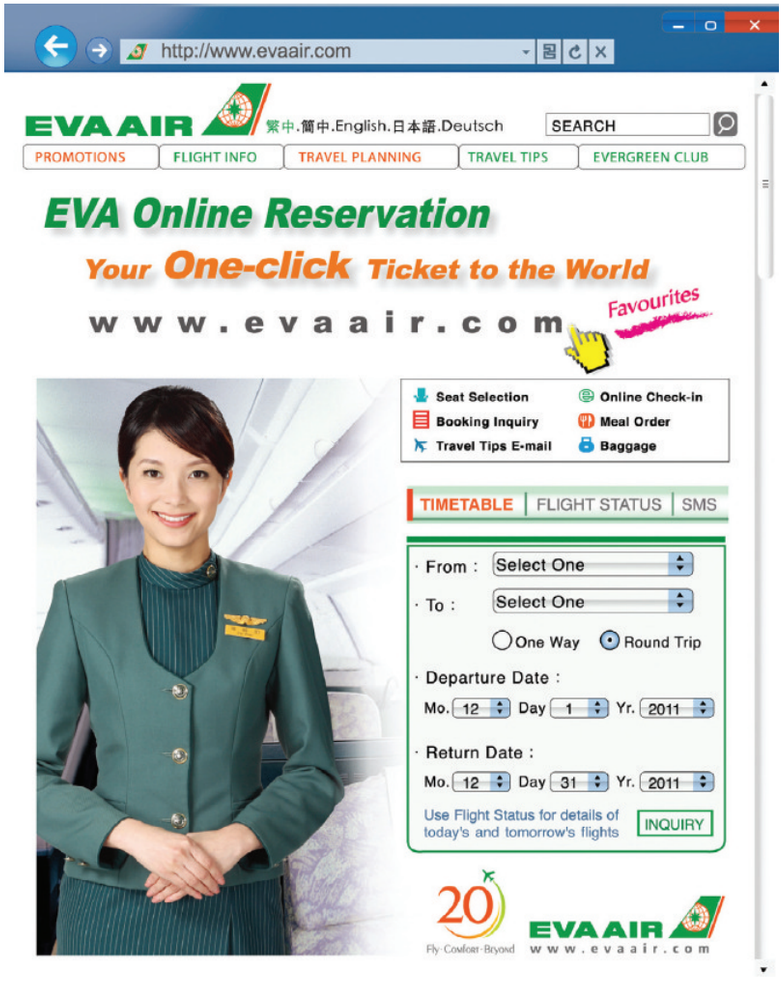
Freight traffic in the area began on street level in 1847, delivering dairy, meat and produce to factories and packing plants on the West Side near the Hudson River.

- **The trains crashed** so often with traffic that 10th Avenue was dubbed Death Avenue.
- **The tracks were** elevated in 1934.
- **The last train** went through in 1980, carrying three carloads of frozen turkeys.



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Where speedy and healthy meet

This fancy-looking rice and noodle pilaf with edamame and grilled shrimp is very easy to make

Beautiful spring weather often means a good, home-cooked supper falls by the wayside. Who wants to be in the kitchen, right?

But there are plenty of shortcuts that can help you get a healthy meal on the table in no time.

This rice and noodle pilaf with edamame and grilled shrimp is a one-pot meal that can be on the table in about 30 minutes.

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▶ Grilled scallops or chicken would also work in this dish.

Preparation:

1. Light a charcoal fire or heat a gas grill to high.
2. In bowl, whisk 10 ml (2 tsp) olive oil and lemon juice. Add shrimp, toss to coat, then set aside.
3. In saucepan over medium, heat remaining 15 ml (1 tbsp) oil. Add onion and bacon and sauté until onion becomes translucent, about 2 minutes.
4. Add noodles and rice and cook, stirring often, until noodles begin to brown. Add wine and cook, stirring constantly, until wine has evaporated, about 2 minutes. Add edamame, broth and bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low and simmer, covered, for 15 minutes.
5. Meanwhile, thread shrimp onto 4 metal skewers. Season both sides with salt and pepper. Grill until shrimp are pink and firm, about 1 1/2 minutes per side.
6. Remove pilaf from heat and let stand, covered, for 3 minutes. Stir in dill and season with pepper. Serve topped with shrimp. Garnish with additional dill.

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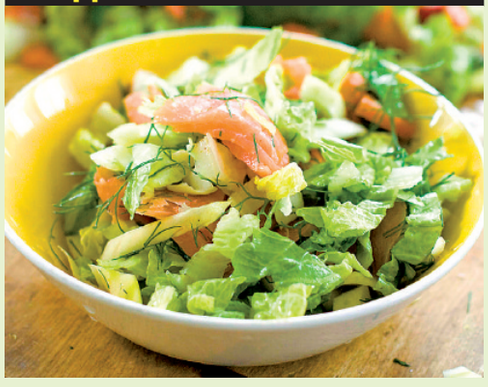
Ingredients:

- 15 ml (1 tbsp) plus 10 ml (2 tsp) olive oil, divided
- 30 ml (2 tbsp) lemon juice
- 500 g (1 lb) large raw shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 1 small red onion, chopped
- 60 g (2 oz) finely chopped Canadian bacon (about 75 ml/1/3 cup)
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) fine egg noodles, broken up
- 175 ml (3/4 cup) instant brown rice
- 50 ml (1/4 cup) dry white wine
- 250 ml (1 cup) frozen shelled edamame
- 375 ml (1 1/2 cups) reduced-sodium chicken broth
- Salt and ground black pepper
- 15 ml (1 tbsp) chopped fresh dill, more to garnish

Chopped Salad



Ingredients:

- 1 large carrot, peeled and trimmed
- 1 bulb fennel
- Small handful of radishes
- 1 head romaine lettuce
- 2 white Belgian endives
- 250 g (8 oz) smoked salmon
- 90 ml (6 tbsp) olive oil
- Juice of 1 lemon (about 30 ml/2 tbsp)
- Sea salt and black pepper
- Small bunch fresh dill, chopped

Want to get the kids to embrace salad? Jamie Oliver, star of the Emmy award-winning ABC show Jamie Oliver's Food Revolution, says variety, creativity and plenty of chopping are key.

"Chopped salads are really easy to make and there are so many different options you can come up with. It's a great shortcut to just chop everything up on a board, mixing as you go, then throw the dressing on top, and bring it to the table," Oliver said.

Preparation:

1. On large cutting board, chop carrot, fennel and radishes. Bring it all to the centre of board and continue chopping and mixing together. Add lettuce and endive leaves, continue chopping. When everything is well chopped, assemble it in a mound at the centre of the board.
2. Slice salmon into small pieces, mix into salad.
3. Make a well in middle and drizzle in olive oil, lemon juice and pinch of salt and pepper. Mix so everything gets dressed, sprinkle with chopped dill; serve.

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The future should not be foretold

Taking a guess at a young child's scholastic future is a relatively futile and potentially damaging pursuit

Educators often feel that they can predict students' academic futures.

For instance, educators may think that they can tell how students will perform in Grade 8 or Grade 9 as early as Grades 1 or 2. However there is research evidence to show that predictions about students' futures are often wrong.

There are strong links between characteristics of students, such as their socio-economic status or their school readiness, and their later achievement but these relationships do not hold for all individuals.

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▶ Whether she's excelling in elementary school or not has little bearing on how she will do as an older student, research shows.

Many studies show that these predictions turn out to be wrong much more often than most people think. Canadian data shows that more than 40 per cent of students scoring at the bottom reading level at age 15 were in post- secondary education at age 21.

Research also shows that the accuracy of predictions about students declines over time; that is, one year's achievement predicts the following year's quite well, but is less accurate in predicting achievement three or four years later.

The key thing that the research tells us is that students can and do change. With the right supports, students can achieve far more than anyone thought they could. Encouragement and support from both schools and families can also make those negative predictions less likely to be true.

Parents and educators should be cautious in assuming that the future of their child may be predicted based on their current performance. Secondly, parents should be actively involved in supporting and advocating for their child rather than accepting a negative future.

This might include being optimistic with the child about the future, or the child's teacher identifying areas where home and school can work together.

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I graduated from the University of Alberta a couple of months ago, in April 2011. However, the decisions I made about my next steps started much sooner than that.

As soon as my last year at began, I felt the pressure of having to figure out my next move.

As a marketing major, my path was not as easily determined as my friends in accounting, engineering, or law.

It seemed that all of my friends, no matter their faculty or major, had a job (or at least a few leads) lined up.

Upon their advice, I began searching online for my dream job, which was elusive at best.

After a few months of searching, I realized that part of the reason I was having no luck in finding that "perfect" job was that I didn't really want to find it.

I knew that if I found a job at a company and began working full-time after graduation, I would never leave.

I would be a loyal employee, I'd work hard and I'd hopefully be promoted after a few months or years, beginning my stagnancy in life at the age of 21.

I knew I wanted to travel more and see the world, but a simple two-month trip to Europe before settling down didn't feel like enough to me. I wanted to actually experience life in another culture.

This is where AIESEC Edmonton came in. I joined AIESEC, a global internship program entirely run by students, in my first year of university.

Being offered both leadership and exchange opportunities with the organization, I opted for the leadership side for three and a half years of my university education as I truly enjoy helping others succeed.

As AIESEC Edmonton's president in my last year of university, I realized my passion for providing others with the opportunity to go abroad and experience professional opportunities.

Student groups and clubs are the best way for students to experience great levels of leadership and management skills. In these situations, they have the opportunity to achieve a certain level of autonomy that might otherwise take years to hold in the workplace.

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What I learned

Key take-aways from Shree's experience:

- Join student groups and clubs on campus as early as your first to take advantage of leadership and management opportunities – these are the skills most in demand by employers.
- Get involved with international organizations, student or otherwise, for the chance to network with students and professionals from around the work, and the potential to work abroad after graduation.

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▶ Shree Govindarajan says she has a global internship program to thank for helping her realize the type of path she'd like to pursue.

Where Shree is now

While I am not going on an internship with the organization (yet), my leadership roles and understanding of the AIESEC brand helped me land a job internally – I will be working in Sao Paulo until July 2012 as the National Vice President of Communications for AIESEC Brazil.

I am excited for this next step in my life as this role will help me gain experience that is directly related to my desired future in Marketing and I'll be living in an ever-growing BRIC country for a year.

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Employers cannot impose unreasonable directions

Too often employers fail to pick their battles. They stubbornly maintain legal arguments that seldom succeed, and they tend to allege employee misconduct without the facts to support that claim. Mostly, it is just because they can. The good news is that the courts are often unimpressed.

Donald Duguay was hired as a "Cubex driller" in mine production. He was not hired to do "rock bolting" work, which is more dangerous than drilling and requires extensive training. During his job interview, Duguay specifically said that he did not want to do bolting.

However, shortly after he started, Duguay was told to perform bolting work. Confused, Duguay shadowed a bolter, but declined to do any of the work. A few hours later, the company demanded that Duguay stop observing and start bolting. Not surprisingly, Duguay refused, and announced, "I won't bolt now or ever!"

Duguay was fired on the spot. The company claimed that his refusal to bolt was serious insubordination and that he needed to perform whatever work the company required of him. Unconvinced by this claim, Duguay recently sued for wrongful dismissal.

At trial, the court scrutinized Duguay's job description and the way the company forced him to bolt. In finding that Duguay was hired only to drill and do related mine production duties, the court said that if the company wanted him to perform other duties such as bolting, that requirement must be made clear to Duguay at the time he was hired, not after. Therefore, Duguay's refusal to bolt was not insubordination because the company could not suddenly impose those duties on him without his agreement. Duguay was awarded severance, and the company was out of luck.

There are a few key takeaways: employees need to carefully consider whether they can decline new directives. Mistakenly interpreting a change in their job as being major will rebound poorly on them, not their employer. Employers have to pick their battles prudently. The court was swayed because Duguay's refusal came against the backdrop of a request to perform dangerous work with little training.

▶ Are you taking on tasks that were never in your job description?

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▶ Sixty minutes remain in what is arguably the Canucks' best season in franchise history.

Last chance at greatness

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Tonight, those childhood dreams become reality for the Boston Bruins and Vancouver Canucks with hockey's holy grail ready to be presented to the ultimate victor.

Fifteen times the cup has been decided by a seventh game, with the home team winning 12 of those games.

Those odds look pretty good for the Canucks. However, the most recent seventh game was won by the visiting Pittsburgh Penguins in Detroit two years ago.

The Canucks fell 3-2 to the Rangers in the Big Apple in their only cup final Game 7 back in 1994, while the Bruins have never participated in one.

If you prefer omens to statistics, then these two may be on the side of the Canucks:

First, Lord Stanley's famous mug will be awarded in the city whose signature park is named in his honour and bears a statue in his likeness.

Secondly, Burnaby's EA Sports ran a computer simulation of the Stanley Cup prior to this final series and predicted Vancouver would beat Boston in seven games, with the home team winning every game in the final.

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Tamby time

Expect Jeff Tambellini to replace Mason Raymond in the lineup tonight as Raymond will reportedly miss the next three to four months with a vertebrae compression fracture as the result of a Johnny Boychuk hit in Game 6. Boychuk was neither penalized for the play nor subjected to a formal hearing with the league. Tambellini's skating ability and offensive upside make him the obvious replacement for the speedy Raymond on the Canucks' second line, with Ryan Kesler and Chris Higgins.

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Elevation

No one has epitomized the roller-coaster nature of this series like Roberto Luongo. In Vancouver, Luongo has blanked the Bruins twice and conceded two goals in total while winning three games. In Boston, he was pulled twice in favour of Cory Schneider and gave up 15 goals in less than two full games between the pipes. However, Luongo has never lost a Game 7, defeating both Dallas (2007) and Chicago (2011) on home ice, allowing just a single goal in each outing.

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No doubting Thomas

Bruins goalie Tim Thomas will leave with at least one trophy tonight, as he will likely receive the Conn Smythe for his stellar performance in the post-season. Thomas has been beaten just eight times through six games in the cup final and boasts the best goals-against average and save percentage of all goalies in this year's playoffs. He has also backstopped the B's to a pair of Game 7 wins en route to this year's final, but lost his two previous Game 7 appearances in 2008 and 2009.

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Open ender?

The team that has scored the opening goal in each game of this series has gone on to win every game, and that theme has been consistent to Game 7s in the cup final. Of the past six Stanley Cups to be decided by a Game 7, each was won by the team that scored first. The last team to buck that trend was the 1987 Edmonton Oilers, who overcame an early 1-0 deficit to defeat the Philadelphia Flyers in the season's final game.

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Quoted

"Yep, the reality is, for me anyways, this may be the only Game 7 of the Stanley Cup finals that I ever have in my career."
37-YEAR-OLD BOSTON GOALTENDER TIM THOMAS

"He's enjoying the moment. He's relaxed and when the time for the game to happen comes, he's focused and ready to go."
BRUINS COACH CLAUDE JULIEN ON THOMAS

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Police not expecting Vancouver riot repeat

As Vancouver gets ready for the final game of the Stanley Cup playoffs tonight, it does so under the shadow of the events that unfolded the last time the city was involved in the final.

It's been 17 years but images of the Stanley Cup riot of 1994 still haunt the city, where thousands of people went on a rampage following the Canucks' loss to the New York Rangers. Fans smashed windows, threw bricks and looted downtown stores.

Police made 150 arrests in a matter of hours. Another 200 people were injured and Vancouver was left with a legacy of restrictive rules aimed at preventing any embarrassing repeats.

But Vancouver police say much has changed since then and, while they're certainly prepared, they're not anticipating any violence tonight.

"By and large ... things have gone quite well," Const. Lindsey Houghton said yesterday of the playoffs so far.

The B.C. government ordered that downtown liquor stores be shut down at 4 p.m. for Game 6, and may do so again tonight.

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$12K **As of yesterday afternoon, ticket seller StubHub had some 420 tickets available for Game 7 from $1,600 to $12,413 US, though the number available and price fluctuated.**

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▶ The playoff struggle ends with Game 7 tonight. Either the Bruins or Canucks will earn the right to hoist the Stanley Cup.

Last stand for Stanley

Bruins have outscored Canucks 19-8 through first six games of final

One of the strangest Stanley Cup finals anyone can remember is going to end with something everyone can understand: A single game, with everything on the line, winner takes all.

All of the bizarre stats and storylines won't matter to the Vancouver Canucks or Boston Bruins if they can find a way to win Game 7 at Rogers Arena tonight.

Vancouver is coming off Monday's 5-2 loss — the third beating it endured in Boston — but should be considered the favourite. The Canucks have been virtually unbeatable at home.

"To tell you the truth, it doesn't really matter," Canucks coach Alain Vigneault said of the Game 6 loss. "At the end of the day, they won and we're going back home in front of our fans. One-game showdown to win the cup. That's it."

BRUINS CANUCKS

▶ **Time:** 5 p.m.
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The Canucks are facing Game 7 without Mason Raymond, who suffered a vertebrae compression fracture on a Johnny Boychuk hit early in Game 6. He follows Vancouver's Dan Hamhuis (undisclosed) and Boston's Nathan Horton (concussion) in being knocked out of the final.

Roberto Luongo will have the chance to lift the cup after posting two shutouts at home and getting pulled twice in Boston.

"You can't hang your head now and feel sorry for yourself, that would be the worst thing I could do," said Luongo.

The Bruins have to find a way to bring their best game on the road. They were aggressive in the TD Garden games, but have looked timid at Rogers Arena.

They scored 17 goals in Boston and just two in Vancouver.

"We are very well aware of how we've played on the road the last three games in Vancouver," said Bruins coach Claude Julien. "We've created ourselves another opportunity and it's up to us to take advantage of it.

"But we've got to be hungrier than we have been the last three times in Vancouver."

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Kesler playing on historic stage again

Ryan Kesler has another chance to make history.

But, this time, he is looking forward to being a hero instead of the enemy.

The Vancouver Canucks centre will battle in the seventh and deciding game of the Stanley Cup final tonight against the Boston Bruins on the same ice on which his U.S. team lost to Canada in the 2010 Winter Olympic gold-medal game.

"It's tough to compare the two, but one difference is, I think I've got 18,000 on my side this time," said Kesler. "It's going to be a little different that way, but it's going to be fun. Obviously, the Olympics was a great experience, but I've seen what these guys have worked so hard for all year and as a team, as a family, we want this really bad."

Kesler scored a goal in the gold-medal game and is looking to repeat that feat during another historic game. The Canucks are attempting to become the first Canadian team since the Montreal Canadiens in 1993 to hoist the Stanley Cup.

But the veteran centre has had a tough time offensively in this series. The 26-year-old Livonia, Mich., native has mustered only one point against the Bruins after producing 18 in the first three rounds of the playoffs, when he received early consideration for the Conn Smythe Trophy.

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Point/ counterpoint

Who will win the Stanley Cup? And why?

We've teamed up with our friends at Metro Boston again to debate the Stanley Cup final.

The championship boils down to 60 minutes.

So who's going to win it all tonight?

Metro Vancouver's Jeff Hodson says Roberto Luongo will have another outstanding outing at Rogers Arena — and put TD Garden behind him.

At Metro Boston, Mike Naughton says the B's will finally come to life in Vancouver and get the first road win of the series.

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JEFF HODSON
METRO VANCOUVER

It's incredible that nine months of toil — of highs and lows and injuries and success across more than 100 regular-season and playoff games — will boil down to a mere three periods tonight to determine which team sips from Lord Stanley's mug.

And despite being outclassed by a respectable Bruins team in most statistical categories and for much of this series, the Canucks will be that team.

Roberto Luongo, a Vezina candidate who was a lightning rod for criticism in two countries for his team's frightening defensive breakdowns in Boston, has been Lu-donkulous in Rogers Arena.

He has two shutouts in three games. But more than that, he's been confident and comfortable at home and he's allowed his team to relax and play its game. A game of skill, heart and Sedin-wizardry will be superior to anything Boston can ice.

As good (and as lucky) as Tim Thomas has been, the Vancouver Canucks will hoist the Stanley Cup tonight for the first time in their 40 years as a franchise.

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Sixty minutes. The Bruins can and will play a harder, stronger, more intense 60 minutes tonight and will win their first Stanley Cup in 39 years.

They've proven in this series that they can play that long; that for 60 minutes they can simultaneously score and shut down one of the best offensive teams in the league.

Now they need to do it. With the season now down to the final 60 minutes tonight, records and stats no longer matter.

The Bruins will win because by the time Game 7 rolls around, time's run out on diving and trash talking. Game 7s are about grit, determination and that intangible element that leads to one team skating around the ice with the cup over their heads.

The Bruins have all of that and Tim Thomas.

Thomas, the goalie who has not been pulled these playoffs, is one win away from becoming one of the most accomplished goaltenders in hockey.

He's been the solid constant for this Bruins team and for 60 more minutes tonight, he'll prove why he and the B's are champions.

Canada finished at Gold Cup

De Rosario scores only two goals for national team in Kansas City

Canada was minutes away from advancing at the CONCACAF Gold Cup, until a last-gasp equalizer from Panama dashed its hopes.

Luis Tejada scored in extra time last night as Panama tied Canada 1-1.

Canada needed a win to advance, and looked like it was going to get one after Dwayne De Rosario scored on a penalty in the 62nd minute.

Instead, Tejada's goal left Canadian hopes dangling, and then the United States dealt the deathblow with a 1-0 win over Guadeloupe later last night.

"It's unbelievable," Borjan said. "You're winning, you're playing good all game and the last minute they score and it's just unbelievable. It's like somebody stabs you in the heart."

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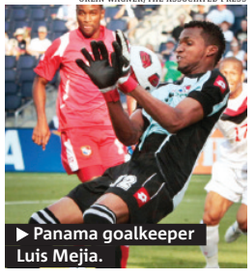

▶ Panama goalkeeper Luis Mejia.

The Canadians were frustrated all tournament. De Rosario's penalty goal was his — and Canada's — second goal in three games.

Panama won the group with seven points, the U.S. finished second with six, Canada third with four and Guadeloupe failed to pick up a point.

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Sports in brief

Ratings hit high for final

NHL. The CBC says Monday's Game 6 of the Stanley Cup final between Vancouver and Boston was its highest-ever rated NHL game.

CBC says the game averaged an audience of 6.6-million viewers, making it the most-watched NHL broadcast in CBC history.

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FBI looking into Armstrong

CYCLING. The FBI has contacted a Colorado restaurant to get surveillance tapes of a conversation between Lance Armstrong and former teammate Tyler Hamilton over the weekend.

Hamilton went on 60 Minutes last month and accused Armstrong of doping repeatedly and encouraging his teammates to do so as well.

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Retuned suspension

Dodge has concentrated on turning the Avenger into a better driving car by retuning the suspension for improved ride comfort and reduced body lean while cornering.

Additionally, the ride height has been slightly lowered (more at the front than at the rear), steering precision has been improved and the distance separating the left and right wheels (track) has been widened by about an inch.

Interior

The previous Avenger's hard plastic dash and door panels have been replaced with soft-touch materials. In fact, the dash plus the gauge pod, vent openings and steering wheel are now borderline sumptuous.

And that also goes for the new seats that come with added bolster support in front. The 60:40 split-folding rear bench continues to fold nearly flat as before, and also includes a pass-through opening for transporting longer items.

Engine

Pop open the hood and the 173-horsepower 2.4-litre four-cylinder base powerplant returns, but is now attached to the sub-frame using improved engine mounts to reduce vibration.

The newly optional 283-horsepower 3.6-litre V6 can now be had in nearly every Chrysler and Dodge model. Along with delivering close to 50 more horsepower than the previous 235-horse 3.5-litre V6, the 3.6 is also much more fuel efficient in city driving.

▶ The Dodge Avenger needed to step it up a notch until Fiat, which controls Chrysler, began injecting its own platforms into the brand. That might be a year or more away, though.

Back with Avengeance

Newly preened, prepped and refreshed, the Dodge Avenger is now ready to step back into the mid-size sedan spotlight.

It has been a tough road for the Avenger. The current version that was introduced for the 2008 model year never really caught on with sedan shoppers and was clearly outclassed by higher-quality offerings from Chevrolet, Ford, Toyota, Honda and others.

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Given that North American sales in this segment are expected to top two million units this year, it's vital that the Avenger, along with the similarly-sized Chrysler 200, get better, and fast.

Certainly the future appears brighter now that the automaker's Fiat-controlled management has updated the Avenger as well as most of the automaker's other offerings with new style, improved cabins and up-to-date powertrains.

At $21,500, the base Avenger now sells for about $2,900 less than the previous comparable model, something that Chrysler likely felt it had to do to gain some much-needed traction with potential buyers.

With all of the across-the-board improvements, the Avenger's styling still might take some getting used to, but the rest of the package is right on the money.

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By comparison

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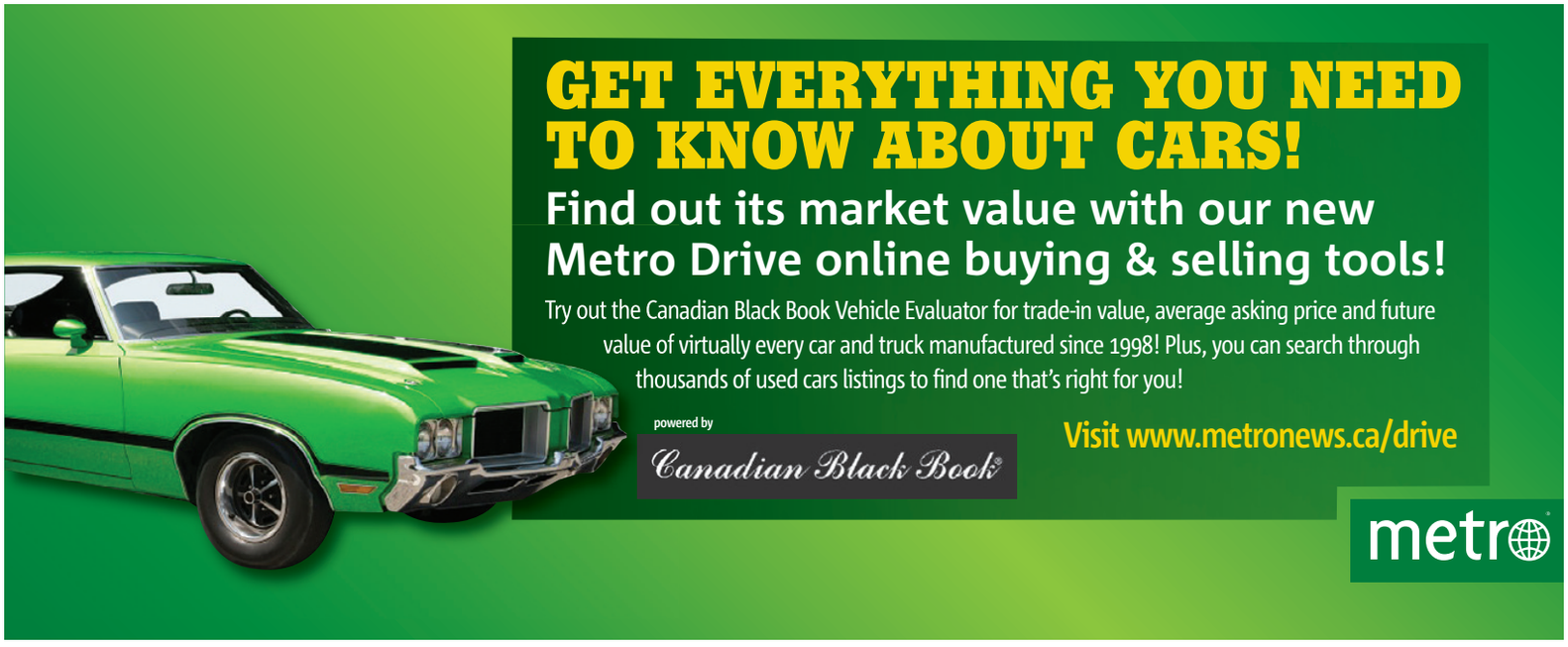

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Veracruz loved for value and luxury

Though it may not be a well-known model, Hyundai's crossover is a solid bet

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Hyundai's Veracruz hit the Canadian market for the 2007 model year with the goal of putting an affordable luxury crossover on the scene for thousands less than a comparable machine from Germany or Japan.

As the range-topping ute from the Korean automaker, Veracruz offered up top levels of comfort and style, alongside a competitive warranty and honest pricing.

All models got a 3.8-litre V6 with 260 horsepower and a six-speed automatic transmission. Most had All Wheel Drive (AWD), though a lower-priced, front-drive Veracruz was available.

Look for features like power memory seating in heated leather, a sunroof, automatic lights, automatic climate control, multimedia audio connectivity, a 6-CD changer, a rear-seat entertainment console and Bluetooth.

An intelligent key system, auto-dimming mirror and power tailgate were also on board.

What's the 4-1-1

- **Model:** 2007 to 2011 Hyundai Veracruz
- **Vehicle type:** Crossover SUV

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▶ 2007 Hyundai Veracruz

What Owners Like

Owners say a combination of quality, styling, interior appearance, safety ratings and a great driving position attracted them to the Veracruz, while attractive pricing and Hyundai's warranty coverage helped seal the deal.

A smooth ride, overall comfort and plenty of power are also reported, and the soundsystem and power tailgate are also a hit.

What Owners Dislike

Complaints include limited third-row seating space, which is a standard gripe in most three-row crossover models. Some owners do report a rough or jarring ride, particularly on models with larger wheels and on rougher roads. A few owners claim the ice-blue displays are difficult to read at night, too.

Common Issues

Start by inspecting all of the Veracruz's options and features for proper operation. Some owners have reported problems getting the keyfob to open the power tailgate, a CD player that won't eject discs, or a faulty "resume" button for the cruise control system.

Ensure these features all work properly — and check the automatic climate control, air conditioner, entertainment console, power seats and all lights, too.

Check the taillamps for signs of cracking, and note that driveability issues related to the engine in terms of "sputtering" or lumpy power delivery are likely caused by failing oxygen sensors. A check-engine light may be illuminated if this is the case.

On AWD models, park on some sand or a similar low-traction surface and accelerate rapidly from a stand-still, ensuring there are no unwelcomed noises or "clunks" as the AWD system engages in response to wheelspin.

The Verdict

Though information is somewhat sparse, the Veracruz looks to be a solid performer with no systematic or glaring problems reported by its small but largely-happy owner community.

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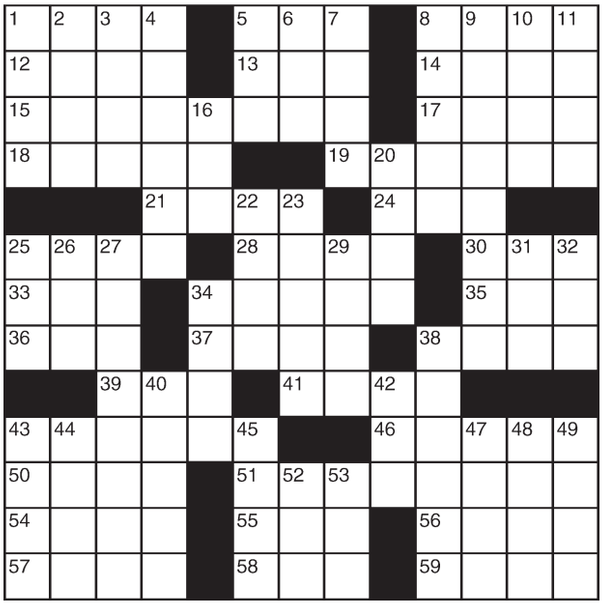

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Sudoku

	5		3			1		
1			9					4
		6		5	1			8
		3		9	7			5
6			4	3		2		
4			1	6		8		
5					3			7
		2			5		9	

How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Monday's answer ▶

8	2	3	4	6	1	7	9	5
1	5	6	9	8	7	3	2	4
7	9	4	5	3	2	6	8	1
5	4	8	2	9	6	1	3	7
3	6	1	7	5	8	9	4	2
9	7	2	3	1	4	5	6	8
6	8	7	1	4	3	2	5	9
4	1	9	6	2	5	8	7	3
2	3	5	8	7	9	4	1	6

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Hunni T xxxo, I miss you so much when we spend these long days apart. It seems it has not stoped raining since you took these long shifts. Can't wait to spend more time with you.I hope you get a chance to read this in the paper at work **HUNNI S**

Bernie Bear Love Birds
It's been 18 years that we have been together..where has all the time gone? Here's to another 18 years together. **OODLES OF NOODLES**

Jenny C, You mean so much to me. I remember our 1st date like it was yesterday. You were the 1st person to compliment my special gravy. You said they were the best potatoes you ever had. You were also the first peron brave enough to try my signature lemon squares. I am happy to be your little hacker hehe LOL. Lots of love **THE LUCIFER <3**

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You will be in a restless mood today. Maybe it's time to start planning your next vacation.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 Money matters and family issues must be handled with care today.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 Because today's lunar eclipse falls in your opposite sign, you will find yourself at odds with a partner or loved one over something trivial.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 Nothing in life is worth getting worked up about. Make that your motto.

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Is a plan or project that has been close to your heart for some time worth carrying on with? Give it some thought.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Some kind of disruption is likely today, especially on the home front where feelings are running high.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Be careful when revealing your thoughts. Some won't sit well with others.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 If your head tells you one thing but your heart tells you another, you should favour logic over longing.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 No matter how much certain people may annoy you, there is nothing to gain by getting angry.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Today's eclipse falls in the most sensitive area of your chart. You'll be touchy over the next 24 hours.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Everyone is hypercritical. It doesn't help that you need their approval.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Ultimately, all change is good change, though it may not seem that way at the time. **SALLY BROMPTON**

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